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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: ABERRATION MEASURING APPARATUS, ABERRATION MEASURING METHOD, PROJECTION EXPOSURE APPARATUS HAVING THE SAME MEASURING APPARATUS, DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD USING THE SAME MEASURING METHOD, AND EXPOSURE METHOD

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to the commencement of continued examination,
please amend the subject application as indicated below.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this
paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.